

Harvard City Council Minutes
August 8, 2023

The regular meeting of the Harvard City Council was held at the Harvard Community Room on the above date. Notice of the meeting had been posted in three different locations around town. Roll call showed the following to be present: Mayor Keith Ljunggren, Council Members Sharon Ryan, Dean Winchell, Leann Wessels, Nathan Brown, Misty Pair, and Frank VanCampen. Absent: City Clerk Cheryl Walker.

Mayor Keith Ljunggren called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. by stating the Open Meetings Law Poster is on the southeast wall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Pair, seconded by Wessels to approve the Consent Agenda, which consists of bills, previous meeting minutes, and the treasurer's report. Roll call: All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Mayor Ljunggren commented on the success of the 150th Anniversary Celebration of Harvard.

Bills:

Aurora Coop/Fuel	\$1,457.37
Cardmember Services/Police Equip, Web	\$945.89
Central NE Bobcat/Sweeper Rental	\$205.20
Chemsearch/Sewer	\$1,734.35
Friesen/Tire Repair	\$146.77
Grace's Locksmith/Lock Repair	\$15.00
Hastings Outdoor Power/Saw Parts	\$229.27
Hometown Leasing/Copier	\$239.07
John Deere Financial/Landmark Tractor	\$4,293.46
League of NE/Annual Dues	\$1,227.00
Menards/Sweeper Parts	\$45.87
Municipal Supply/Water Repair	\$382.76
Nutrien/Weed Killer	\$1,212.39
Power Plan/Murphy – Service Loader	\$4,146.76
Rod's TPM/Cemetery Mow & Trim	\$3,200.00
Sutton Auto/Veh Repair	\$146.85
Utilities Section League of NE/Annl Dues	\$549.00
ULINE/Warning Pad-Wet Set Handicap	\$420.00
Verizon/Cell Phones	\$138.33
Walmart/Pool	\$79.76
Woodward's/Disposal	\$7,664.54
TOTAL	\$28,479.64

Michelle Callahan and contractor Jose Ganzales updated the Council on Owner Occupied Grant and Community meeting of 8/31/2023, and on the status of several projects in town. Options concerning 402 N Harvard and 316 N Harvard were discussed. Callahan's suggestion was that the City Atty petition the Federal Government to vacate its lien on 402 N Harvard to facilitate removal of the house. The property at 316 N Harvard has property tax liens. Ryan Dorsey is the current owner. Callahan plans to have a Town Meeting on August 31st.

Motion by Brown, seconded by Winchell to accept the Change Order from JIL Asphalt Paving Co. All Ayes.

Motion by Ryan, seconded by Pair to authorize the Certificate of Payment #1 to JIL Asphalt Paving Company in the amount of \$134,410.48. All Ayes

There was discussion about different options concerning the landfill. A committee of Wessels, Pair, and Ben Mattley secured a bid for a galvanized chain link gate with operator. Price would be \$14,285 plus electrical work.

Maintenance Report by Ben Mattley

Police Report by Chief Alley

Committee Updates were presented by the mayor.

Mayor's Comments – Committees need to submit budget items

At 8:38 pm a motion was made by Brown, seconded by Ryan to enter Executive Session. Roll call: All Ayes.

At 9:12 pm a motion was made by Brown, seconded by Winchell to leave Executive Session.

With no further business, Mayor Ljunggren declared the meeting adjourned at 9:13 pm.

Keith Ljunggren, Mayor

Frank VanCampen, City Clerk Pro Temp